

TOWN OF AMENIA  
**Public Hearing and Business Workshop Meeting**  
Thursday, September 16, 2010  
Amenia Town Hall

Supervisor Euvrard called **Regular Board Meeting** to order at 7:00 pm.

Salute to the flag was conducted and salute to our brave troops serving worldwide; and for the loss of Morris Paley, owner of Paley's Farm Market in Sharon, Ct.

Emergency Exits at right of town board meeting table and at rear of meeting room.

ROLL:	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

**PUBLIC HEARING**  
**2011 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) CONSIDERATION.**

Supervisor Euvrard read legal notice of Public Hearing published in the Millerton News to invite input from residents of the Town of Amenia and non-profit organizations.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Sharon Kroegeer suggested that Town of Amenia apply for grant as part of town match under the TEP grant (Wassaic Trail to the Train project).

Stanley Whitehead, Highway Superintendent, suggested that Town of Amenia apply for grant under the 2011 CDBG for drainage work on Willow Lane in Wassaic.

MOTION by Supervisor Euvrard, SECOND by Councilwoman Perotti to **CLOSE** Public Hearing at 7:09pm.

ROLL:	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

MOTION CARRIED

Supervisor Euvrard called Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:10pm.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Tonya Shoumatoff requested that the Wassaic Train to Trail Committee be charged with reviewing the criteria, rates, and selection and rating of firms, under the RFQ's (Requests for Qualifications) for the TEP/ Wassaic Trail to Train project. Comments would be reviewed by the committee and submitted to the town board. Supervisor Euvrard stated that copies would be available for review at the town hall.

Patrick Nelligan requested that trench work for water diversion on Lavelle Road be handled amicably.

### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

#### **Highway**

Stanley Whitehead requested update from the State on snow removal issue at Amenia Post Office sidewalk location. Supervisor Euvrard stated that he has contacted State representative; but meeting has not been scheduled to review issue.

Stanley Whitehead stated that Highway Department will plow and remove snow at the new town hall location, as agreed, **after** town roads are completed.

Mr. Whitehead stated that Highway Department **must** be notified before any digging work begins on town roads. Proper compacting, blacktopping is required when work is completed.

#### **Water Department**

Marco D'Antonio reported water usage and recent repairs. Met with Town Engineer at Lavelle Road to review permit and work to be done. Proposals for Water District fees; inspection charges, procedures for repairs have been submitted to the Water Committee for their review.

#### **Town Clerk**

Maureen Bonds announced that she will be attending nephew's wedding in Texas from September 30<sup>th</sup> thru October 6<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Assessor**

Board of Assessment Review members to be appointed at next town board workshop.

MOTION by Councilwoman Doyle, SECOND by Supervisor Euvrard to purchase upgrade program for anti-spam and anti-virus installation for all town hall computers from PCA (Professional Computer Associates) in the amount of \$1,175.00.

ROLL:	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilman Pelkey	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

MOTION CARRIED

**Kropf.com** is billing the Town of Amenia for domain and website hosting. Tabled for review by town board members to pay or discontinue service.

## **COMMITTEES**

### **Recreation**

Ryan Killmer submitted proposal through state bid from Buffalo Tractor.

MOTION by Supervisor Euvard, SECOND by Councilwoman Perotti to purchase **Kubota 4WD Tractor w/60" mower** in the amount of \$13,543.

ROLL:	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Supervisor Euvard	Aye

MOTION CARRIED

### **Ethics and CAC**

Updates by Councilwoman Riemer and Councilwoman Doyle

### **Grants**

Michael Hagerty reported that 13 responses have been received for Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Wassaic Trail to the Train project. Town Board and Committee members to review.

MOTION by Supervisor Euvard, SECOND by Councilwoman Perotti, to recommend Willow Lane drainage project under the 2011 CDBG Program in the amount of \$150,000.

ROLL:	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Supervisor Euvard	Aye

MOTION CARRIED

Supervisor Euvard reported that Shared Services within the county are being discussed.

## **AES**

Supervisor Euvrard reported that request for extension of lease for town hall offices to remain at the Amenia Fire House location until October 29, 2010 has been accepted by Fire Company president.

Supervisor Euvrard submitted letter of intent from Ducillo Construction to be considered as general contractor for work at the Amenia Elementary School. Representative from Ducillo Construction inquired as to whether a general contractor has been hired to perform this work.

Councilwoman Riemer reported that scope of work has been revised. Phase 1 will be implemented to secure building, move computers, telephones, town offices, and workable, clean areas in order to achieve a Certificate of Occupancy. Bidding process will be considered in Phase 2 and Phase 3. Alternative Designs, Inc. will be recommended to act as general contractor to oversee all work performed in Phase 1.

## **RESOLUTION #44 OF 2010**

### **REQUISITE EMERGENCY DETERMINATION**

A RESOLUTION THAT THE TOWN BOARD HEREBY DETERMINES THAT THE PHASE 1 WORK NECESSARY TO PREPARE THE AMENIA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUILDING FOR PURPOSES OF COMMENCING OPERATIONS AS THE NEW TOWN HALL CONSTITUTES AN EMERGENCY FOR PURPOSES OF NEW YORK' S COMPETITIVE BIDDING PURSUANT TO THIS EMERGENCY DETERMINATION;  
AND;

THAT THE TOWN BOARD HEREBY DETERMINES THAT THE PHASE 1 WORK NECESSARY TO PREPARE THE AMENIA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUILDING FOR PURPOSES OF COMMENCING OPERATIONS AS THE NEW TOWN HALL IS EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF COMPETITIVE BIDDING PURSUANT TO THIS EMERGENCY DETERMINATION.

MOTION by Councilwoman Riemer, SECOND by Supervisor Euvrard that was;  
ADOPTED – VOTE

ROLL:	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

MOTION by Councilwoman Riemer, SECOND by Supervisor Euvrard to assign **Alternative Designs, Inc.** as Project Manager for work at Amenia Elementary School, subject to second Resolution determining said company's compensation rate.

ROLL:	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

MOTION CARRIED

**RESOLUTION #45 OF 2010****A RESOLUTION BY THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF AMENIA FOR AUTHORIZATION OF APPLICATION FOR THE JUSTICE COURT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

MOTION by Councilwoman Perotti, SECOND by Supervisor Euvrard that was;  
ADOPTED – VOTE

ROLL:	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

Local Law for Dog Licensing Program should be adopted by November 2010, to be effective January 1, 2011. Michael Hayes, Town Attorney, advised that a mandated surcharge must be paid to New York State. Mr. Hayes will contact NY Association of Towns for further information.

Euvrard announced that 2011 Budget Workshops have been scheduled in September 2010.

Application for Peddlers License submitted by **Peter C. Roosa**. Request to sell goods at Rte 343 in Amenia, NY and Rte 22 in Amenia, NY. Site plans illustrated specific locations. Michael Hayes, Town Attorney, advised that permit is required from the County and will discuss issue after meeting.

MOTION by Supervisor Euvrard, SECOND by Councilwoman Perotti to ACCEPT Town Board Minutes of Business Workshop Meeting of August 12, 2010 and Regular Board Meeting of August 19, 2010.

ROLL:	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

MOTION CARRIED

**SUPERVISOR'S REPORT**

Local events announced

**TOWN BOARD COMMENTS**

Local events and meetings reported by C/Riemer, C/Perotti, and C/Doyle

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Sharon Kroeger requested further explanation of RFQ's, regarding review, qualifications, and elimination of submitted proposals for a specific project.

MOTION by Supervisor Euvard, SECOND by Councilman Cayea to enter Executive Session at 8:45pm to discuss: (1) possible litigation issue (Marco D'Antonio, Natural Water Systems invited to attend) and (2): possible personnel issue.

MOTION by Supervisor Euvard, SECOND by Councilman Cayea to ADJOURN Executive Session and RETURN to Regular Board Meeting at 9:07pm with motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Councilwoman Riemer, SECOND by Councilwoman Perotti to ADJOURN Regular Board Meeting at 9:11pm with motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:

Maureen Bonds  
Amenia Town Clerk

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